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# Office Action Summary

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## Period for Reply

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- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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## Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on \_\_\_\_.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

## Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

## Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 02 July 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

## Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- \* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

## Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 05/19/05
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. \_\_\_\_
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_

## DETAILED ACTION

### *Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102*

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

2. Claims 1-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being unpatentable by Picco et al (US Patent 6,868,292 B2). Hereinafter referred as Ficco.

Regarding claims 1, 5, and 7, Ficco discloses a method, system and computer program of controlling application devices (103-106, 203, 204, 305, 405, 408-412) **(Figure 1)** said method comprising the steps of: retrieving first documents (501) **(HTML File (801) in figure 9)** from a first set of application devices by a server (107, 205, 304, 404) **(Host Processor (815) in figure 9)**; retrieving identification (115, 502) of a user by the server **(column 16 lines 4-6)**; characterized in that the method further comprises the steps of: generating (505) second documents by the server, each comprising an instruction, on the basis of at least a part of the retrieved identification of the user and at least a part of the first documents **(column 16 lines 1-4)**; sending (506) at least one of the second documents to each device of a second set of the application devices by the server **(column 16 lines 14-26)**; and performing (507), for a given device of the second

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set, one instruction from at least one of the second documents received in the given device **(HP 310 issues commands (S15) in figure 13)**.

Regarding claims 2, 6 and 8, Ficco discloses a method, system and a computer program **(Column 20 lines 8-11)** according to claim 1, characterized in that the step of retrieving identification of the user further comprises the steps of retrieving user profile (503) information based on the user identification by the server **(Column 16 lines 4-6)**; and retrieving context profile information (504) relating to surroundings of the user by the server **(Column 16 lines 6-13)**.

Regarding claim 3, Ficco discloses a method according to claim 1, characterized in that the documents comprise at least one of Hyper Text Markup Language **(Column 8 lines 5-6)**, Scalable Vector Graphics, Resource Description Framework and Extensible Markup Language (XML) **(column 8 lines 14-16)**.

Regarding claim 4, Ficco discloses a method according to claim 1, characterized in that the application devices comprise at least one of Web tablet, set-top box, VCR, TV, PDA, lamp, coffee machine, radio, telephone, background wall, DVD player and electronic information panel **(Figure 1)**.

### ***Conclusion***

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Franklin S. Andramuno whose telephone number is 571-

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270-3004. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thurs (7:30am - 5:00pm) alternate Fri off (EST).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chris Kelley can be reached on (571)272-7331. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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